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President Jorge Rafael Videla  
Casa Rosada  
Balcarce 50  
Buenos Aires, Argentina

President Videla:

I am writing to inquire about the disappearance of thousands of people in your country. Also, I write to find out why so many more people are being held in your jails without having been charged with a specific crime.

I am concerned about the absence of customary legal safeguard and the massive abuse of human rights in Argentina.

The one I am inquiring about specifically is Arrieta Norma Ester. Her age is 30, nationality Argentinian, residence is Guamini 2562, Buenos Aires. Norma is single and was detained by military force in Buenos Aires.

I request that this women and all other political prisoners be given due process of law.

Yours truly,

cc: Ambassador Jorge Aja Espil  
Argentine Embassy  
1600 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20009

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

( ) Release (X) Excise ( ) Deny

Exemption(s):

Declassify: ( ) In Part ( ) In Full

( ) Classify as ( ) Extend as ( ) Downgrade to

Date Declassify on Reason

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